

By Saturday Evening's Mail.

VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE.—In the House of Delegates, on Friday, Mr. Rutherford, from the Committee of Courts of Justice, reported a bill authorizing suits to be brought against corporations for the purpose of the Peace, and providing for the manner of serving process in the case.

An engrossed bill to prevent the running at large of dogs in the county of Alexandria, was passed. Subsequently the vote was reconsidered, and the bill laid upon the table.

On motion, Mr. Ho, it was Resolved, That so much of the Governor's message as relates to the inauguration of the equestrian statue of Washington on the 22d of February proximo, be referred to a special committee, with instructions to report what arrangements are necessary and suitable for the occasion.

The Speaker presented the report of the Board of Public Works for the year 1857, which was laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed.

The appropriate committee was instructed to enquire into the expediency of authorizing the Treasurer of the State to receive from delinquent internal improvement companies the bonds of the State that are due and paid by said companies, in discharge of their respective liabilities to the State.

GUARANTEED BONDS OF THE JAMES RIVER AND KANAWHA COMPANY.—The Legislature has made provision for paying the interest on the 1st of July last, and 1st of January inst., on the bonds of this company, which have been guaranteed by the Commonwealth; but it cannot be paid until a meeting of the stockholders has been held, which has been called to take place on the 27th of this month. Similar provision has been made for paying the instalments of interest which will become due on the 1st of July and 1st of January next.

MARRIED.—In Henderson, Ky., on 17th ult., by the Rev. M. Woodbridge, CUTBERT POWELL, esq. of Paducah, Ky., to Miss SUE, second daughter of Hon. Archibald Dixon.

On the 23rd inst., at Cedar Mount, Essex county, by the Rev. W. A. Baynham, CUTBERT TUCKER, esq. of Fredericksburg, to Miss MARY E. WARRING, eldest daughter of Henry Warring, deceased.

DIED.—On the 23d ult., Mrs. ELIZA IMBODEN, wife of John D. Imboden, esq. of Staunton, and daughter of Col. Franklin McCue.

At Mr. Solon on the evening of the 28th ult., Mrs. ANN E. BLAKEMORE, wife of Mr. J. H. Blakemore, in the 20th year of her age.—One who was intimately acquainted with her—shared her friendship and treasures her memory—who would not indolently indulge the dead, or reawaken the poignant sorrow of the living, would briefly record her virtues. Mrs. Blakemore highly adorned and elevated woman, in the noblest sphere, her home. There, in the relations of daughter, wife, sister, mother and friend she consecrated the sacredness of her portals, forgetting not the considerations in devotion to the objects of her love.

1858.	SUNSHINE.	MOON'S PHASES.
JANUARY.		
4 Monday...	7 15 45	D. B. M.
5 Tuesday...	7 15 45	Last q. 5 37 M.
6 Wednesday...	7 15 45	New. 11 5 22 M.
7 Thursday...	7 15 45	First q. 12 11 47 M.
8 Friday...	7 15 45	Full. 1 22 22 M.
9 Saturday...	7 15 45	HIGH WATER.
10 Sunday...	7 15 45	JAN. 4—h—m

LATEST DATES.
London, Dec. 9. Havre, Dec. 10.
Liverpool, Dec. 10.

MARINE LIST.

PORT OF ALEXANDRIA.—JANUARY 2.

SAILED.
Schr. J. H. Congdon, Hatch, Barbados, by B. H. Lambert.

Schr. Seaview, Baltimore, by Frostburg Co.

Schr. Com. Conner, Gilmore, Port Deposit, coast by T. J. McHaffey.

MEMORANDA.

Barque Vivid Light, Blanchard, from this port, arrived at Messina, 1st ult.

Schr. R. C. Whilden, Genoa, from this port, arrived at Fully Landing, 29th ult.

Schr. Rhode Island, Davis, for Georgetown, cleared at New York, 31st ult.

MAIL ARRANGEMENTS.

The Northern mail will close daily at 4 o'clock p. m.

The mail for Richmond, Va., and all south of Richmond, will close at 5 1/2 a. m., and 2 1/2 p. m.

The mails for the Orange and Alexandria and Manassas Gap Railroad, Warren, Middleburg and Fairfax C. H., close daily at 5 1/2 a. m. There is no mail for the Manassas Gap Railroad on Sundays.

The mail for the Leesburg route will close on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, at 9 p. m. There is a mail for Leesburg, via Washington City, closing at 2 1/2 p. m., on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

The mail for the Aldie route will close at 7 a. m., Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

The mail for the Occoquan route will close at 8 a. m., Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

The mail for the Theological Seminary will close at 3 p. m., daily, except Sundays.

The mail for Norfolk, Portsmouth and the Eastern Shore of Virginia, closes at 5 1/2 a. m., and 2 1/2 p. m.

The mail for Fredericksburg and the Northern Neck of Virginia will close at 5 1/2 a. m., and 2 1/2 p. m.

The office will close daily at 6 1/2 p. m., except on Sundays, then it is open from 8 to 9 a. m., and from 2 1/2 to 4 p. m., only.

The Northern mail is ready for delivery by 8 a. m.

The Southern mail is ready for delivery by 3 1/2 p. m., and the mail via the Orange and Manassas Gap Railroad at 3 1/2 p. m.—*Sealed.*

RHEUMATISM!—A CASE OF THREE MONTHS' STANDING CURED.

—George W. Henderson, of Pittsburgh, says:—After suffering for three months with Rheumatism, a part of the time so severely as to confine me to my bed, I have been entirely cured by using BERRHAY'S HOLLAND BITTERS. I have had almost instantaneous relief in the same medicine. It is in my opinion, a sure remedy for Rheumatism.

CAUTION!—Be careful to ask for BERRHAY'S HOLLAND BITTERS. Sold at \$1 per bottle or 6 bottles for \$5, by the sole proprietors,

BENJAMIN PAGE, JR., & CO.,

Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

Sold in Alexandria, by FEE & STEVENS.

Wholesale Agents: WM. A. HART, J. R. PIERPOINT, and by Druggists generally, throughout the United States. Jan 4—edw

THE BANK OF THE OLD DOMINION.

ALEXANDRIA, VA., Jan. 1, 1858.

The President and Directors have this day, declared a dividend of 3 per cent. out of the earnings of the past six months, payable to the Stockholders on or after the 1st instant.—This is in addition to the bonus to the State Tax, and one and one-fourth per cent. placed to Surplus Fund Account.

JAMES MCKENZIE, Cashier.

Jan 4—edw

BANK OF THE OLD DOMINION.

December 26, 1857.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Stockholders of this Bank, will be held at their Banking House, on Tuesday, 12th of January, 1858, between the hours of 10 o'clock, A. M., and 2 P. M., for the election of Directors of this Institution, for the ensuing year.

JAMES MCKENZIE, Cashier.

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Presidential Movements for 1860.

We gave from one of our exchanges, the other day, some speculations about the Presidential election in 1860. We give one to-day from the New York Courier and Enquirer, on the other side of the question:

"An agreeable social and political banquet was given by Francis P. Blair, at his residence at Silver Spring, on Friday last, to Hon. N. P. Banks, President of the Senate, Trumbull, Senator from Illinois, Judge Woodson, F. Blair, Jr., and many other prominent members of the R. publican party in Congress. Important political measures are often conceived and arranged at these festive meetings. It was at Silver Spring, in the Winter and Spring of 1856, that the nomination of Fremont was settled. Parties are forming their plans already for 1860, which is but two years distant. The preliminary movements of the Republicans are of most public interest, because, they are the party which will succeed in 1860. Col. Benton says that the chasm in the Democratic party cannot possibly be closed or bridged, and that the Republicans can only defeat themselves by gross mistakes. The Republican candidate for 1860 will be taken from the circle of these names: Mr. Seward, Colonel Fremont, Gov. Banks, Gov. Chase, Governor Bissell.

Senator Douglas or Gov. Walker will probably be the candidate of the Barnburners or Free Soil Democracy, and President Buchanan will necessarily be nominated by the Administration party. This latter result will be brought about by the smothered rivalry of Messrs. Wise and Hunt, and the struggles for ascendancy between Jefferson Davis and Robert Toombs."

Crazy Visitor.—A few days ago the members of the House of Representatives, while in session, were startled by the sudden entrance into their midst of a person who came upon the floor under the impression that he was in some judicial body. The lurch of his cry was a very loudly expressed desire to be taken to jail at once. What his crime was could not be determined in the House of Representatives, and the crazy visitor was politely handed over to the Capitol Police, who as politely escorted him to the outside gate. They had hardly returned to their posts, however, before the madman again made his appearance in the rotunda, and announced his arrival by three lusty cheers for "Uncle Sam," "the President," "the Congress," "the Democracy," and various other popular institutions. His political propensities, however, did not save him from being conveyed with considerable dispatch to the Capitol Guard-room, where he was safely locked up for a while. His eccentric freaks led him to go on some member of the police happening to be in the room adjoining his prison, he loudly for a drink of water, which being handed to him he instantly threw aside, and with a portion of a chair which he had broken up while there, he dealt the man such a blow over the head, as nearly to do his business for him. The maniac was however conquered and retained until some of his friends could be sent for, who conveyed him out of the city.—*Wash. Star.*

Indications of Early Trade.

The accounts from the West are that the merchants will take an early start, and be here in great numbers during the present month of January. The stock of goods on hand is very small, and much more so, probably than was ever before known, and, generally speaking, we are credibly informed, an early and good business will be done with the West this season. The same may be said of the country throughout. Money appears to be abundant, and always after a panic many new faces appear as buyers, to take advantage of the good opportunities growing out of the misfortunes of others. There will probably be some heavy sales of dry goods at auction during the month.—Our impression is that the early sales will command a large attendance and a ready market, but at prices probably below the level which will be paid as the season advances.—*N. Y. Express.*

COMMERCIAL.

The Markets.

BALTIMORE, January 2.—Flour dull; Howard street and Ohio \$4 1/2; City Mills \$4 50. Wheat slightly better—Ohio \$1 00; Southern \$1 10; 10/20. Corn, white 18 1/2; yellow 16 1/2. Whiskey 70/24 1/2.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Flour, today, is quiet, sales of 5,000 bbls.; State is quoted at \$4 20; City Mills \$4 50; Southern \$4 40; 10/20. Wheat is steady; sales unimportant, prices nominal. Corn in firm; sales of 10,000 bush, white 18 1/2. Stocks are firm; Cumberland Coal Co. 5 1/2.

Georgetown Cattle Market, Jan. 2.

The offerings of Best Cattle at Drovers' Rest and Foster's, yesterday, amounted to only about 100 head, 70 of which were purchased by District Butchers at \$3 00; the rest at 2 1/2 to 2 7/8. The advance in price is owing wholly, we presume, to the very limited number offered. Sheep \$2 00; \$4 1/2 head. No hogs offered.

Inspections of Flour at Richmond for the second quarter, ending December 31st, 1857:

1,943 barrels Family.

6,622 do. Extra Superfine.

16,441 do. Superfine.

5,603 half barrels do.

4,471 barrels Fine.

15,930 do. Middlings.

1,758 do. Co-middings.

DANIEL S. DEKAMP, Inspector.

DICKEN'S NEW CHRISTMAS STORY AT FRENCH'S.

The Perils of certain English Prisoners, and their Treasure in Women, Children, Silver, and Jewels, by Charles Dickens, 25 cts.

Emerson's Monthly Magazine, and Putnam's Monthly for January, 25 cts.

Blackwood for December, 25 cts.

Household Words for January, 25 cts.

A fresh supply of Dr. Livingston's Travels in Africa, \$3.

All the new Books, Magazines, and Newspapers on hand.

FOR RENT—A pleasant two story BRICK DWELLING HOUSE, with large yard attached, at the corner of Fairfax and Wilkes streets. Apply at the Gazette Office. Jan 4—edw

FLOUR.

200 bbls. SUPERFINE FLOUR

50 do. FINE do.

50 do. RYE do. In store, 25 cts.

For sale by GRAY, MILLER & CO.,

401, Corner of King and Water streets.

SUGAR, MOLASSES, &c.

500 lbs. Porto Rico Sugar

500 lbs. Porto Rico Molasses

200 bags Rio Coffee

1500 lbs. Hakefish, for sale by

WHEAT & BRO.

TO HIRE, for the ensuing year, THREE

WOMEN, to do Housework. Apply to

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A Sermon Preached before Royalty.

By her majesty's command, a sermon preached before the court in the parish church of Cratie, on the 11th of October, has just been published. The author is Dr. Robert Lee, professor of Biblical Criticism in the University of Edinburgh, and the subject is "What Christianity teaches respecting the Body." Dr. Lee shows that the care of the body is declared in the Bible to be a Christian duty, and that the manner in which this care is to be bestowed is taught by God in the uniformity and constancy of the laws of nature. By violating these laws an enormous amount of misery and premature death are occasioned. "It is reckoned," says Dr. Lee, "that one hundred thousand persons die annually in England of preventable diseases. In the same proportion more than a million and a quarter must die annually from the same causes in Europe."

Lower than four hundred thousand men were killed during the late Russian war. But during the same period ten times as many died in Europe alone from preventable diseases. The slaughter of four millions of persons during three years, in a war against the laws of health! No appalling fact is surely deserving the earnest attention, not only of governors, politicians and philanthropists, but of all men who profess Christianity, and especially of those who are appointed to teach. It is because the laws of health, through disobedience to which such multitudes perish, are God's laws, for he not only ordained them, but he executes them impartially and universally, before our eyes, and upon ourselves." The greater longevity of modern times is pointed out, not to depend upon a precariousness in the ways of Providence, but on the community's better acquaintance with, and observance of, the laws which determine the preservation of the body.

Death of a Jerseyman in India.

A letter was received on Monday, by Rev. Mr. Murray, in Elizabeth, announcing the death of Rev. Mr. Freeman and wife, who went out to India in the Missionary service in 1841, and after being kept in confinement some days, were led out to execution, *without any deep in blood.* About the sea of blood where they were beheaded blood had collected in such quantities as to submerge the severed heads of previous victims, against which they stumbled as they walked. They died as they had lived, with Christian bravery. Mr. Freeman was a native of South Orange, in this county, and his wife was a neighboring city of Elizabeth.—*North Mercury.*

The Utah Mail.

General orders have been issued by the War Department, that all arrangements having been made by the Post Office Department to establish, immediately, a weekly mail from Leavenworth, City as far as Fort Kearney, the mail between that point and Fort Laramie will be transmitted by the Commanding Officer of Fort Kearney; and between Fort Laramie and the nearest station of the troops in Utah by the Commanding Officer of Fort Laramie.

As nearly as possible these mails will be sent monthly, on the first and fifteenth of each month.—*Wash. Star.*

NOTICE.—The co-partnership heretofore

existing between SAM'L SCHOOHEER, LOUIS SCHOOHEER, and ISAAC ROSENTHAL, under the firm name of SCHOOHEER, THAL, under the firm name of SCHOOHEER, ROSENTHAL, & CO., corner of King and Royal streets, has been dissolved by mutual consent. SCHOOHEER & BRO. will settle the debts due from, and to said firm, and will continue the business at the old stand.

LOUIS SCHOOHEER, dec 21—edw

SAMUEL SCHOOHEER.

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LOUIS SCHOOHEER, dec 21—edw

SAMUEL SCHOOHEER.

NOTICE.—We respectfully notify all persons

having open accounts on our books that their bills have been indiscriminately made out to this date, and are ready for delivery. Those preferring not to have them sent in will find their accounts ready at our desk.

In view of the troubles still existing in the country in relation to monetary affairs, we beg to call all such promptly comply with the wish we indicate by this notice.

CLAGGETT & DODSON, Washington, Jan 1—edw

NOTICE.—The co-partnership heretofore

existing between the subscribers under the firm of NEVETT & SNOWDEN is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All persons indebted to the concern are requested to make immediate payment, and all persons having claims against the concern to present them to the firm in liquidation. JAS. C. NEVETT, Jan 1—edw

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A Gift worth 20 cents to \$100 given with every book sold.

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MERINO RUCKS, of very superior quality, for sale, or to be exchanged for good southern Blacks. For terms, apply to the Overseer on the farm of Mount Zephyr, Fairfax County, Va., or to AARON LEIGHT, Fairfax County, Va., dec 25—edw

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PRICES, in store, and for sale—

30 bbls. WELCH'S PREMIUM FLOUR,

40 do. Baltimore's Choice and other choice

flours, at 10 cts. per bushel. ISAAC PAUL,

dec 21 Corner of King and Water sts.

NOTICE.—The Board of Directors of the

ALEXANDRIA WATER COMPANY, have declared a dividend of 3 per cent. on the last six months' payable at the office of the Treasurer, on and after the 4th of January, 1858.

FOR SALE.—Corporation of Alexandria

1st Coupon Orange & Alexandria Company

1st do. Extension do do

1st Dominion Bank Stock

1st Mortgage